

ates and students of the Victoria University of Manchester, humbly crave leave to offer to your Gracious Majesties the expression of our devoted loyalty and dutiful attachment.

We gratefully remember how the encouragement given by Your Majesties and Your illustrious predecessors has aided the work in which we are engaged of adding to knowledge and of training persons fitted, we trust, to take a useful part in industry and in commerce, as well as in the professions and in the public service. Especially here in Manchester do we recall the foundation of our University by the Charter granted by Queen Victoria in 1880, its reconstitution under the Charter granted by King Edward VII. in 1904, and His subsequent visits to our City and gracious replies to the Addresses which we had the privilege of presenting to him, nor can we ever forget the visit paid by Your Majesties to our University on the occasion of the celebrations of the Jubilee of Owens College and the opening of the Whitworth Hall, and how the words then addressed to us by Your Majesty stimulated our efforts and aided our cause.

We pray that Your Majesties' reign may be long and prosperous and memorable for the advances made not only in material prosperity, but also in learning and in science and in the better education offered to all classes of Your subjects.

To which Address His Majesty was pleased to return the following gracious Answer:—

The Queen and I are much indebted to you for the loyal and dutiful Address which you have presented on behalf of the Victoria University of Manchester.

We recall with pleasure Our previous visit to you at the Jubilee of Owen's College and the opening of the Whitworth Hall, and it is a great satisfaction to Us to observe the continued development of the University, and to learn that the sympathy and encouragement of Our Predecessors and Ourselves have assisted you in your efforts.

While you have added your contribution to the world's store of knowledge by your works of research, and notably by valuable studies in the history of this country, from the Roman era to the present day, you have devoted strenuous and unremitting labours to the attainment of the great object for which a University exists—the training of men and women to play a worthy part in the life of the City and of the State. In this respect your position in the midst of one of the greatest industrial and commercial cities of the modern world at once adds to your responsibilities and enlarges your opportunities. It is to the Universities that the whole Empire looks for men equipped with scholarship and technical knowledge and with the will and energy to devote these gifts to the service of the community in every sphere of action. I rejoice that the Universities are seeking to fulfil this high function by the continual extension of facilities for higher education to all classes of My subjects.

I pray that success may attend your efforts in the noble mission which has been entrusted to you.

MANCHESTER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

To Their Most Excellent Majesties King George V. and Queen Mary.

*May it please Your Majesties.*

The members of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, who represent the principal industrial and commercial activities of Lancashire, desire to thank Your Majesties for the opportunity afforded them of expressing their dutiful, loyal and affectionate sentiments.

Your Majesty's personal knowledge of the Overseas Dominions and of the Indian Empire—the prosperity of which is so essential to the trade of this district—ensures a sympathetic appreciation of the close business ties which bind this city to every part of Your Majesty's world-wide Empire.

Convinced as they are that a good understanding with all countries is the greatest of British interests, it is with peculiar pleasure that the members of the Chamber gratefully recognise Your Majesty's love of peace. They join with all Your Majesties' devoted subjects in the prayer that Your Majesties' united reign may be long and increasingly prosperous.

To which Address His Majesty was pleased to return the following gracious Answer:—

I thank you heartily for your dutiful Address and for your kind expressions of welcome to the Queen and Myself.

It is difficult to realise that Manchester, with its vast area, its abounding wealth and its ever-increasing prosperity, had, 150 years ago, a population less than 40,000 inhabitants. The surprising development which has taken place is due in no small degree to the energy and ability of those captains of industry whom your Chamber now so worthily represents.

The name of Manchester and the excellence of Manchester cotton goods are famous throughout the world. I am well assured that you will maintain the prestige of the City and will ever seek, in the development of your commerce, to ensure the permanence of your good name.

The prosperity of your Chamber and of the trade and commerce of Manchester will always be the constant object of My solicitude.

Address presented on Their Majesties' visit to Salford:—

SALFORD CORPORATION.

To Their Most Excellent Majesties King George and Queen Mary.

*May it please Your Majesties.*

We, the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Ancient and Loyal Borough of Salford, moved by feelings of loyalty and attachment to Your Majesties, offer You a hearty welcome to Salford.

We have peculiar pleasure in welcoming Your Majesty to Salford owing to Your